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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1956**

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**Introduced by Senator Hayden**

February 19, 1998

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An act to add Section 5003.04 to the Public Resources Code, relating to parks and recreation, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1956, as amended, Hayden. Parks and recreation: Gabrielino/Tongva Springs: appropriation.

Existing law requires the Department of Parks and Recreation to operate and maintain the state park system.

This bill would require the department, in partnership with the Los Angeles Unified School District and University High School, the Gabrielino/Tongva tribal representative, the Gabrielino/Tongva Springs Foundation, and other interested private parties and public entities, to seek to establish a permanent cultural and ecological site at the Gabrielino/Tongva Springs, which is designated as State Historical Landmark No. 522. The bill would appropriate ~~an unspecified amount~~ \$50,000 from the ~~General Fund~~ *Public Resources Account in the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund* to the department to be expended for local assistance grants to qualified nonprofit organizations for purposes relating to the ~~acquisition, establishment, operation,~~ *planning for preservation* and maintenance of the

Gabrielino/Tongva Springs, and property adjacent thereto, in the City of Los Angeles in order to enhance opportunities for public access to recreational lands, education, and cultural interpretation sites.

Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares the  
2 following:

3 (a) The Gabrielino/Tongva Springs is designated as  
4 California State Historical Landmark No. 522.

5 (b) A Native American village (Kuruvungna) was  
6 located at the site of the Gabrielino/Tongva Springs, and  
7 the springs are considered sacred to native peoples.

8 (c) These ancient springs and surrounding grove are  
9 deserving of continued care and preservation as an  
10 irreplaceable inheritance for future generations.

11 (d) The springs are threatened by the pressures of  
12 dense urban development, and requirements for the  
13 year-to-year renewal of a lease for the site of the springs.  
14 In addition, public access to the site of the springs is  
15 minimal because of its location on property owned by the  
16 Los Angeles Unified School District.

17 SEC. 2. Section 5003.04 is added to the Public  
18 Resources Code, to read:

19 5003.04. The department, in partnership with the Los  
20 Angeles Unified School District and University High  
21 School, the Gabrielino/Tongva tribal representative, the  
22 Gabrielino/Tongva Springs Foundation, and other  
23 interested private parties and public entities, shall seek to  
24 establish a permanent cultural and ecological site at the  
25 Gabrielino/Tongva Springs, which is designated as  
26 Historical Landmark No. 522.

27 SEC. 3. The sum of ~~\_\_\_\_\_dollars~~ (~~\$\_\_\_\_\_~~) fifty  
28 thousand dollars (\$50,000) is hereby appropriated from  
29 the ~~General~~ Public Resources Account in the Cigarette  
30 and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund to the Department of  
31 Parks and Recreation to be expended for local assistance

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2 relating to the acquisition, establishment, operation, and  
3 ~~maintenance of the~~ *planning for preservation and*  
4 *maintenance of the* Gabrielino/Tongva Springs, and  
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